

SENATE BILL 717

By Berke

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 49-2-203, relative to notice provided by a board of education to a director of schools before taking employment action against the director of schools.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 49-2-203(a)(14)(C), is amended by deleting the subdivision in its entirety and by substituting instead the following:

(C) No school board shall extend the contract of a director of schools without giving notice of the intent to do so at least fifteen (15) calendar days prior to the scheduled meeting at which action shall be taken. Further, except in cases concerning allegations of criminal or professional misconduct, no school board shall terminate the contract or remove a director of schools from office without giving notice at least fifteen (15) calendar days prior to the scheduled meeting at which action shall be taken. Notice of extension or termination of a contract of a director of schools shall include the date, time, and place of the meeting, and shall comport with all other requirements of §§ 8-44-103 and 49-2-202(c)(1). The proposed action shall be published as a specific, clearly stated item on the agenda for the meeting. Such item, for the convenience of the public attending the meeting, shall be the first item on the agenda; and

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it.